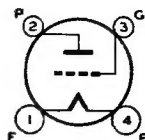


RCA-45

POWER AMPLIFIER

The 45 is a power-amplifier triode of the filament type capable of supplying large undistorted output in a-c operated receivers.



CHARACTERISTICS

FILAMENT VOLTAGE (A. C. or D. C.)	2.5	Volts
FILAMENT CURRENT	1.5	Amperes
GRID-PLATE CAPACITANCE	7	μf
GRID-FILAMENT CAPACITANCE	4	μf
PLATE-FILAMENT CAPACITANCE	3	μf
BULB	ST-14	
BASE	Medium 4-Pin	

As Single-Tube Class A₁ Amplifier

FILAMENT VOLTAGE (A. C.)	2.5	Volts
PLATE VOLTAGE	180 250 275 max.	Volts
GRID VOLTAGE*	-31.5 -50 -56	Volts
PLATE CURRENT	31 34 36	Milliamperes
PLATE RESISTANCE	1650 1610 1700	Ohms
AMPLIFICATION FACTOR	3.5 3.5 3.5	
TRANSCONDUCTANCE	2125 2175 2050	Micromhos
LOAD RESISTANCE	2700 3900 4600	Ohms
SELF-BIAS RESISTOR	1020 1470 1550	Ohms
UNDISTORTED POWER OUTPUT	0.825 1.6 2.0	Watts

* Grid volts measured from mid point of a-c operated filament. Self-bias is advisable in all cases, required if grid d-c resistance (max. value of 1.0 megohm) is used in grid circuit.

As Push-Pull Class AB₂ Amplifier (Two Tubes)

Values are for two tubes.

	Fixed Bias	Self-Bias	
FILAMENT VOLTAGE (A. C.)	2.5	2.5	Volts
PLATE VOLTAGE (Maximum)	275	275	Volts
GRID VOLTAGE	-68	—	Volts
SELF-BIAS RESISTOR	—	775	Ohms
ZERO-SIGNAL PLATE CURRENT	28	72	Milliamperes
MAXIMUM-SIGNAL PLATE CURRENT	138	90	Milliamperes
LOAD RESISTANCE (Plate-to-plate)	3200	5060	Ohms
TOTAL HARMONIC DISTORTION	5	5	Per cent
POWER OUTPUT	18	12	Watts

INSTALLATION AND APPLICATION

For installation refer to INSTALLATION on type 2A3.

As a power amplifier (Class A₁), the 45 may be used either singly or in push-pull. Typical operating conditions are given under CHARACTERISTICS.

In a push-pull Class AB₂ stage, the 45 is operated under conditions such that a small amount of grid current flows during the most positive swing of the input signal and the second harmonic distortion is cancelled by virtue of the push-pull circuit. A driver stage, consisting of one 56 operated at 250 volts on the plate, will drive two 45's in push-pull (fixed-bias or self-bias) to the stated output values. A step-down interstage transformer of suitable design is required.

A family of plate characteristic curves is given on page 143.